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Response to Amendment

- 1. The reply filed on May 28, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): 1) claim 22 is presented as "currently amended" but there is no indication of changes made (no underlining or bracketing/strikethrough), therefore it is not clear on the record what changes applicant is making to claim 22 as a result of this amendment; 2) applicant has presented claims 11-21 as "withdrawn" but indicates in the remarks accompanying the amendment that claims 11-21 have been cancelled, therefore it is not clear on the record whether or not claims 11-21 are currently pending claims as a result of this amendment; 3) applicant has not responded to the examiner's notice that the request to correct the inventorship in this application is deficient: applicant has not indicated that the current inventorship is correct but also has not indicated an intention to correct the above-noted deficiencies or to file a new request to correct the inventorship; 4) applicant has not responded to the objection to the abstract (more than 150 words in length); applicant has neither amended the abstract, traversed the objection, nor indicated an intention to amend the abstract. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given **ONE** (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).
- 2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Adrienne C. Johnstone whose telephone number is (703)308-2059. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 10:00AM-6:30PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael Ball can be reached on (703)308-2058. The fax phone numbers for the

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organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703)872-9311 for regular communications and (703)872-9310 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703)308-0661.

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